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The Proceedings of the Hague Peace Conferences. Translation of the official texts. Prepared in the Division of International Law of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, under the supervision of James Brown Scott. New York: Oxford University Press.

The Conference of 1899. 1920. pp. xxii, 882.

The Conference of 1907:

Vol. I. Plenary meetings of the Conference. 1920. pp. xxv, 702.

Vol. II. Meetings of the First Commission. 1921. pp. lxxi, 81, 1086.

Vol. III. Meetings of the Second, Third and Fourth Commissions. 1921. pp. xci, 1162.

Index volume covering the preceding volumes. pp. 272.

These sumptuous volumes contain the first complete English version of the Proceedings of the Hague Peace Conferences of 1899 and 1907, the original and official French versions of which have become somewhat difficult to procure. This edition in five volumes will be adopted as a definitive English edition of the Proceedings of the Hague Conferences. The translation appears in all respects to have been carefully and sympathetically made. No extended review of the contents is necessary. The index volume, prepared in the Division of International Law, makes it possible for the first time readily to turn to any part of the Proceedings. There is an index of persons and a general index by which any idea may be followed from its original expression in the Commission, Sub-commission or Plenary Session, to its final statement in the definitive conventions. The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace has put all students of international law under lasting obligation in carrying to completion this admirably conceived enterprise and in putting forth the work in a manner which is justified by its significance and importance.

J. S. REEVES.

The British Year Book of International Law, 1921-22. London: Henry Frowde and Hodder & Stoughton, 1921, pp. viii, 272. 16s. net.

This volume is the second issue of this publication and contains articles, notes on international events, digest of cases, list of international agreements from January 1, 1920-May 31, 1921, book reviews and an extensive bibliography of publications dealing with subjects of international interest.

The first two articles discuss the jurisdiction of the Permanent Court of International Justice, and are written by Sir H. Erle Richards, Professor of International Law and Diplomacy at Oxford University, and by Dr. D. C. J. Loder, of The Netherlands, who has recently been elected President of the Permanent Court of International Justice. The article by Dr. Loder is of particular interest as he reviews the stormy career of the proposal that

the International Court should have compulsory jurisdiction, which was strongly favored by a large majority of the smaller nations, and effectively opposed by the greater nations. Sir Erle Richards's article, which precedes Dr. Loder's, is apparently written for the purpose of justifying British opposition to granting compulsory jurisdiction to the International Court.

The other articles appearing in the Year Book are: Submarine Cables and International Law, by Professor A. Pearce Higgins; The Effect of War on Treaties, by Sir Cecil J. B. Hurst; Protectorates and Mandates, by T. Baty; and Mandated Territories: Palestine and Mesopotamia (Iraq), by Norman Bentwich; Judicial Recognition of States and Governments and the Immunity of Public Ships, by Arnold D. McNair; Freedom of Navigation on the Rhine, by Professor Eugene Borel; Prize Court Procedure, by E. S. Roscoe; The Roll *De Superioritate Maris Angliae*, by T. C. Wade; Sovereignty, by W. R. Bisschop; Extraterritoriality in China and the Question of Its Abolition, by M. R. Z. Tyau; and The Work of the League of Nations, by Reginald Berkeley.

In the Introduction to the Year Book, it is stated that since the publication of the first volume, the British Year Book of International Law has been affiliated to the British Institute of International Affairs. It is also stated that the Year Book must depend for its continuance on the copies which are sold to the public, and all those to whom the idea of the Year Book appeals are begged to support it by becoming subscribers and doing what they can to increase its circulation.

HOPE K. THOMPSON.

Extraterritorial Cases. Vol. I. By Charles S. Lobingier, Judge of the United States Court for China. Manila: Government Bureau of Printing, pp. lxi, 1094. Price \$6.00. (Sold by Clerk of the U. S. Court, Shanghai.)

Apropos of the widespread interest in Far Eastern subjects and especially in Extraterritoriality, a volume which has just come from the press and which embodies the work of our extraterritorial court in China during the first fourteen years of its existence deserves more than passing mention. The book is entitled "Extraterritorial Cases" and was compiled and edited by Judge Charles S. Lobingier who has presided over the United States Court for China during the past eight years.

The book contains a full report of the decisions of that court from its beginning, also of those reviewing the same by the Court of Appeals and the leading cases decided by other courts on questions of extraterritoriality. It is thus a complete case book on the subject and should prove especially opportune now that the whole scheme of extraterritoriality is to be examined by a commission with the view to determining whether conditions in China are such as to warrant its early abolition.